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RAILWAY CONNECTIVITY IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have any proposal to provide adequate train connectivity between Kalinga Nagar, Jakhapura, Sukinda Road, Daitari, Banspani and Barbil;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether train connectivity is proposed to be extended to Barsuan, Bandamunda and Rourkela from Kalinga Nagar with connectivity to Paradip port; and

(d) if so, the time by which the said work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. R. VELU)

(a) & (b): It has been announced in Railway Budget, 2008-09 to introduce an Express train between Puri and Kendujhargarh via Jakhpura, Sukinda Road, Tomka (8 Kms away from Daitari, which is situated on Tomka-Daitari branch line). At present, Padapahar-Banspani and Banspani- Jaruli sections are not fit for running of passenger services.

(c) The work of new lines from Talcher to Bimalgarh, Angul to Sukinda and Haridaspur to Paradip have been taken up which on completion will provide alternate rail connectivity to Paradip port from Kalinganagar area, Rourkela, Bondamunda, Barsuan.

(d) Haridaspur-Paradip new line is likely to be completed during 2010-11. The target for other two lines Angul-Sukinda and Talcher-Bimalgarh has not been fixed.